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BURNS HOME TO KILL SIX
Parents Fearing Children Will Be Taken From Them by Aid Society Decide to Kill Them.
Calgary, Alberta.—A confession that he and his wife deliberately set fire to their home, after soaking their four children's beds with gasoline so that all might be burned to death, was made, according to the police, by J. J. Rutledge, an innkeeper, the only survivor of his family.
The man said he and his wife preferred death to being separated from the children, who, they feared, would be taken from them by a children's aid society. Rutledge knocked one child unconscious to save it from being burned, and escaped severely burned.
The man is in a hospital, charged with murder.

Took Money From Hives; Bees Put It Back Again
Some months ago, Wallace Lanning, a beekeeper of Millford, N. J., took over 100 pounds of honey from his hives and stored the honey in the garage of his home. When he went to the garage, a few days ago, to get some of the honey, all he found was the empty comb and frames, all the honey being gone.
Investigation revealed that the bees had entered the garage through a knot hole and had carried the honey back into their hives.

Wives Cost Too Much in Africa.
London.—The return to normal in British East Africa has run against a hard obstacle. The natives are resisting wage cuts on the ground that the cost of wives is 50 per cent above the level which existed before the war.

Finds Her Beau is a Girl.
New York.—Mary Haldonantz, aged twenty-three, after two years of courting, discovered that her sweetheart, "Jack Brown," twenty-one, is a girl.

She appealed to authorities to arrest "Jack," otherwise Caroline Schmidt of Kingston, N. Y. They met in Monticello.

Tired of delays of their marriage date, Mary recently went to "Jack's" home at Monticello, and "his" mother confessed that the reason for the man's delay was to provide a living for the mother and six other children.

Long Trout.
Remede, Canada.—E. Haldiday caught a brook trout 21 1/2 inches long, 13 1/2 inches girth, with a tail spread of five inches and weighing within two ounces of five pounds. The previous record in this region, made by James Allen, thirty-two years old, was four pounds six ounces, length 16 inches.

LOCAL ITEMS

Tell it to the editor.

The sun is getting red.

Late summer rains have been plentiful here.

Judge A. Cole made a trip to St. Louis the past week.

Mr. F. X. O'Donnolly spent the first of the week in St. Louis.

Mrs. Hilley Lewis of Irondale was a Potosi visitor Thursday last.

Potosi needs waterworks and a sewer system as a health guaranty.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Carr spent the latter part of last week in St. Louis.

Meat peddled from a wagon in fly-time isn't really a particularly appetizing sight.

Miss Eula Towl has gone back to St. Louis for her final year at Principia College.

Mr. Joe Kosar of Cruise was in our burg Monday and made a brief call at our sanctum.

Miss Virginia Paulsell left Sunday last for Maryville, Tenn., where she will attend college.

The numerous small holes in the roads hereabouts should be doctored with a dose of gravel.

Miss Paula B. Flynn returned to St. Louis Sunday evening, after a visit to homefolks here.

Miss Ruby Beers of St. Louis visited her mother, Mrs. D. E. Strayer, of Mineral Point last week.

Mr. John Bone of Hopewell neighborhood was a visitor at this office Tuesday to pay the printer.

Miss Florence Murphy of St. Louis was the guest of Mrs. Herbert Blount from Thursday until Sunday.

Mr. Alex Cordia has about completely rebuilt his home here, making it a neat stucco bungalow.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Watkins of Kentucky are visiting their daughter, Mrs. L. W. Casey, and family here.

Miss Aurelia M. Mahn of De Soto was a guest at the home of Mr. G. B. Maxwell several days the past week.

Sheriff Richeson has four lodgers in the county jail at present, paying \$100 by eating off the county. Funny way.

Mr. T. H. Holman of Farmington and Dr. and Mrs. W. R. Goodknight of Caledonia were Potosi visitors Monday.

Mr. George Crump and daughter, Miss Zelma, of Palmer were in Potosi last Thursday, enroute to spend a few days in St. Louis.

Joe Adams of Belgrade makes weekly trips to St. Louis with a Ford truck, hauling live poultry and fresh eggs to the city market.

Rev. R. W. Simonson and Mr. B. Fox are at Fruitland, Mo., this week, attending the fall session of the Potosi Presbytery.

Misses Margaret and Monica Conolly have returned to South St. Louis to resume their studies at St. Joseph's Academy.

The local Ford agency has sold four new Ford cars, three touring and a coupe, the past week. The new prices are bringing 'em a-running.

State Bank Commissioner Hughes has appointed H. G. Harrison of Piedmont as state bank examiner for the southeast Missouri territory.

Owing to the high freight charges, southeast Missouri melon growers have lost much money this year through being unable to market their crops.

Mr. Willis Partell of Cadet neighborhood, was a visitor at this office Friday to settle with the printer, accompanied by his two pretty little children.

Mr. Joseph Haefer of St. Louis visited his sister, Mrs. J. O. Long, and family of Cadet the past week. Mr. Haefer was in Potosi Friday mingling with old friends.

It is gratifying that Washington County has an active school attendance officer at last. As long as we must pay school taxes the children must be required to go to school.

Regular services at the Methodist church next Sunday. Only two more Sundays of the present conference year remain. The Annual Conference will convene at Kennett, Mo., on September 24th.

The little market is still stagnant and little ore is being shipped from this station. It is hoped the mines will be reopened before winter and employment given the people who are dependent upon them.

The Silgo iron furnace in Crawford County permanently suspended operations recently, after being in continuous operation for forty years. Lack of coaling wood for fuel is given as the cause of the shutdown.

Every town must depend on its own people. If you buy away from your home town, you help to kill its progress and future. Be loyal to your home town by buying at home.

One more case than wagon nowadays.

Mrs. Brown of Illinois, Mo., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wood, here.

Miss Alice Campbell is teaching at Mineral, not at Hopewell, as we stated last week.

Mr. Parks M. Banta made a business trip to St. Louis the latter part of last week.

FOR SALE.—At a bargain, Whittier upright piano, good condition; apply to H. E. Blount, Potosi.

W. M. Matlock, late of Latty, has bought the old H. E. Blount home here and moved to town.

Mr. Will and daughter, Miss Sada, of Kansas were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Towl several days last week. They were on their way home from a trip to Europe.

The remains of Mrs. Ann Boyer of Festus were brought here for burial last Thursday and interred in the Presbyterian cemetery. She was the widow of Simon Boyer and until the past year or two a resident of this locality.

W. H. Crow of De Soto, editor of the Jefferson County Republican, has been appointed State Insurance Commissioner by Governor Hyde. The salary of the office is \$3,000 a year. We congratulate Bro. Crow on his having landed this nice plum.

According to the Ironton Register, the prospect drilling done by the National Lead Co. in the Annapolis area is vicinity recently, has not proven great deposits of lead ore, there. Fifteen holes were drilled, varying in depth from 350 to 600 feet. The prospecting has been discontinued.

Mr. J. I. Wilkinson of Mineral Point was a visitor at this office Saturday. He said that locality was afflicted with a tremendous invasion of flies this summer, which he attributed to the hog ranch at Summit, where the ground is said to be literally crawling with the larva maggot of flies.

Perry Maxwell, who is serving an enlistment in the Navy, was home from the Great Lakes Training Station the past week, enjoying a brief furlough. Perry is now in the final year of his enlistment, and has the rank of petty officer, second class, which corresponds to the rank of sergeant in the army.

At a meeting of the Potosi Civic League last week, a committee was appointed to receive cast off clothing for distribution among the needy poor. Anyone having such clothing not too badly worn, will please bring or send it to any of the following members of the committee: Mrs. W. E. Judy, Mrs. Zoe Brown, Mrs. Jeff Higginbotham, Mrs. Ben Flynn.

Rev. Mr. Ford, pastor of the Baptist church here, filled his regular appointment at Belgrade last Sunday and conducted the services dedicating the new Baptist church at that place. In response to Mr. Ford's call upon the members to liquidate the indebtedness on the church, they very promptly responded and in a few minutes subscribed over \$1,400. This was more than enough for the purpose.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Townsend of Osprey, Fla., have been spending the past week with relatives and friends in Potosi. They left the home in Florida in June on a circle auto tour, which included Washington and New York cities, and are now on the homeward swing. Mr. Townsend is driving a Buick six touring car and has so far had no mishap on the trip. He says the only real bad roads he has encountered on this tour are right here in his old home county.

The Potosi High School has organized an athletic association. Citizens will be invited to help it along by taking out an associate membership card. The officers of the association are: President, Wallace Settle; vice-president, Edward Rust; secretary and treasurer, Helen Strayer; coach, L. D. Lake. Mr. Lake has had considerable experience in training basketball teams, and the one he will build up in the school here will doubtless give contesting teams some lively work during the playing season.

A reunion of the Johnson family was held last Sunday at the home of Mrs. Maggie Barger of this city. The day was one of great pleasure to those attending, and the greatest enjoyment the excellent dinner served. Those in attendance were Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Townsend of Osprey, Fla.; Dr. and Mrs. N. J. Townsend of St. Louis; Mrs. Alice Hays and son A. F. Hays, and wife, W. W. Turner and wife, Mrs. Grace McNabb, Chas. Townsend, wife and daughter, Julia, of Belgrade; H. E. Johnson, wife and grandson, Norman Maxwell, of Irondale; C. B. Johnson and wife, Mrs. Lucy Sloan and children, Mayora, Virgil and Ruth; Mrs. Maggie Barger and son, Glen; Mrs. A. F. Neely and daughters, Helen, Alma and Allen; Louis Johnson and wife, Mrs. Mollie Sutherland and children, Bolla and Mary, of Bismarck; Bismarck Gazette.

PREBYTERIAN CHURCH.
Subject of Sunday morning sermon, "For the Lord is a Sun; evening, "Three Steps to Salvation."

CHARLIE HARRIS CONFESSES.

Implicates Russell Carr and Wife and Emmett Hurry in Caledonia Bank Robbery.

A big piece of news broke here last Wednesday when Charlie Harris, who was convicted in the circuit court in Potosi on August 31st of being a participant in the robbery of the Bank of Caledonia at Caledonia, this county on August 31st, 1920, and sentenced to thirty years in the penitentiary, issued a sworn statement confessing himself as one of the robbers and implicating Russell Carr and his wife, Nellie Carr, formerly of Caledonia but lately living in St. Louis, as being the planners of the robbery, and one Emmett Hurry of Elvins, St. Francois county, as the man who entered the bank with him to rob it. On this information the authorities in St. Louis were notified to arrest the Carrs. They are being held there awaiting the time for their preliminary hearing, which will be held in Potosi within a few days.

The confession was made by Harris on the eve of his departure for the penitentiary, whence he was taken Wednesday by Sheriff Richeson.

Harris says he never got a cent of the money, that after leaving the bank he and Hurry hid the sack containing the \$2,000 they had obtained in the robbery under a log in the woods near Caledonia. He claims that in the latter part of August in 1920, after he had been arrested and released from jail on bond, he and Russell Carr went to the scene where the money had been hidden but could not find the log under which the sack had been placed. Two or three days later, he says, Carr came to him and told him he had found the log but all the money he located was a nickel. Harris intimates that he was double-crossed by one or both of his pals.

Harris asserts in his statement that Russell Carr and his wife planned the whole affair and that they went to St. Francois county and induced him and Hurry to carry it out, taking them in their (the Carrs') automobile to Caledonia and to the latter's home on the evening before the robbery.

Mrs. Bleck to Address Civic League
Mrs. Edna Park Bleck of Farmington, first vice-president of the Missouri Federation of Women's Clubs, has accepted an invitation to make an address before the Potosi Civic League. The meeting will be held at the Court House on Tuesday evening, September 20th, at 8 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Garbage Still Being Shipped to Summit Ranch.
Our inquiries reveal the fact that there has been no suspension of the garbage shipments from St. Louis to the hog feeding ranch at Summit, notwithstanding the restraining order against the traffic issued by Circuit Judge Deane on September 4th, which became immediately effective. Attorneys for the hog ranch people last Friday filed application with the Supreme Court for a writ in prohibition of the restraining order, but as that court is still in its session vacation, no action has been taken on the application. Presumably, until such action is taken, the hog ranch people and the Missouri Pacific Railroad Co. are taking the chance of being held in contempt of the Circuit Court by continuing the garbage shipments.

While it is more than likely that during the hot months the stench that arises from the garbage is a considerable nuisance to those who must contend with it, it has developed that the industry maintained at Summit is not without its defenders among the people here, who claim that the grounds on which the objection to it have been based are greatly exaggerated, and hint that there are motives other than conscientious interest in public welfare underlying the opposition to it. It is also argued that if its proximity is a nuisance to health, the fact should have manifested itself among the people employed at the ranch or who live in the immediate vicinity of it. Of this view, there is no real evidence, but there is no disease epidemic at Summit nor more sickness there elsewhere. Further, that this industry offers the farmers of our county a better market for hogs than they could otherwise have, and that the business supports a local pay roll of \$100 a week. And that cooler weather will be along now soon, anyway.

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NOTICE!
Mr. L. W. Dickey of Belgrade is now County Attendance Officer of this county. Soon each teacher will receive delinquent blanks. These must be filled out by teachers, as required by law, and sent to the County Superintendent, as formerly. The County Superintendent and the Attendance Officer will note those teachers who fail to comply with the law.
BURWELL FOX,
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We, the undersigned, will pay \$100 for evidence leading to the arrest and conviction of anyone stealing cattle from the range between Belgrade and Potosi.
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GIGANTIC FEATURE IS ADDED TO BIG CIRCUS
Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Great Wild Animal Show.
With Europe's largest trained animal show as one of many splendid features, the Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey Combined Shows will exhibit afternoon and night at St. Louis, Saturday, Sunday and Monday, Sept. 17, 18, 19.
This marvel circus of 1921 offers the greatest congress of attractions in history. Without eliminating any of the thousand thrills produced by hundreds of the most skillful men and women performers, the Ringling Brothers have added, without additional charge, the most sensational of wild beast displays. Not only will you see the artists who occupy the three rings, five stages, the great hippodrome track and the aerial rigging in the tent pit, but four symphony sized arenas filled with wild beasts as well.
Tigers riding peacefully on the backs of elephants, black maned African lions springing to and from galloping horses, great troupes of polar bears walking ropes or playing at seesaw, leopards jumping through hoops of fire—these are some of the marvelous things that these animals do. Under these beautiful creatures are under absolute control, they are presented only in great arenas of steel. Elsewhere in the main tent you will see camels performing much after the fashion of horses—an act never before presented anywhere. There are live troupes of trained seals, whole beaver of remarkable dogs, monkeys, pigs and pigeons. Twenty-six elephants will perform at one time. Others will do tricks at the top of high pedestals and others circle the entire tent, kicking foot balls as they go. Splendid groups of trained stallions, Shetlands and menage horses form another feature. Aside from the dumb actors are fully 600 men and women stars, and nearly 100 clowns. A gorgeous tournament opens the program. The menagerie, which is entirely separate from the animals used in the circus performance, is the biggest ever traveled.

Camper Bents Bear In Race to Cabin
Port Jervis, N. Y.—Joseph Stevenson of this city had a close call from serving as the driver of a large bear and her three cubs while camping near the Mohawk river. Stevenson had left camp to go to a farm house half a mile away to get some milk and was returning with a milk pail when he heard a noise in the bushes. When he turned back, he found the bear and her cubs. Stevenson was in a race to the cabin with the bear and her cubs. The bear was bent over Stevenson and he was in a race to the cabin with the bear and her cubs.

Throws Away Stolen Bond.
Fall River, Mass.—John Lewis of New Bedford was arrested for larceny just as he had disposed of a \$200 Liberty bond by throwing it in an ash can. Lewis admitted having stolen the bond with other articles. The police say he was turned over to the New Bedford authorities.

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TO FAVOR VETERANS
New Director Changes Policy of Soldiers' Bureau.
Benefit of the Doubt to Be Given Claimants in Dealing With Claims of Former Service Men.
Washington.—Col. Charles H. Forbes, director of the veterans' bureau, soon after taking office directed that hereafter the policy of every official dealing with former service men's claims must be to give decisions in favor of the claimants, wherever there is a doubt. He warned division chiefs against delays in acting upon claims for compensation and insurance.
In carrying forward the government's hospitalization program under which \$18,000,000 will be spent to provide for soldier patients, Colonel Forbes at once will inaugurate a rigid system of inspection of existing hospitals.
By January 1, Colonel Forbes expects that 6,800 more beds will be available in hospitals. There are now 25,000 patients in 800 private and 10 government hospitals. The number is increasing by 1,000 a month.
A feature of Colonel Forbes' plan, commended by Secretary of the Treasury Mellon, is to expand permanent soldiers' homes into hospitals for disabled former service men to be converted later on.
This plan, Colonel Forbes believes, will operate for economy and be anticipated a great need for such homes in coming years.
Colonel Forbes has instructed his subordinates that they must make it their business to "go out and hunt" for disabled former soldiers and let them know their rights.

STONE TELLS ANCIENT STORY
Letter of Augustus Written in Seventh Century Found on Block of Marble in Cyrene.
London.—A discovery which, R. E. Clarendon, said, form one of the fundamental sources for a history of the Roman empire under Augustus, has been made recently by Dr. Oliverio, an Italian savant in Cyrene, the ancient Greek colony of Africa, founded in the seventh century.
Excavations at Bonas—the ancient Berezice which stood in the midst of the Gharious of the Hesperides near the mouth of the river Lethe—have resulted in the unearthing of a block of marble which bears a flawless Greek inscription of a letter from Augustus on the government and administration of justice in Cyrene.

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